

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of  
RAKESH TAORI

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METHOD OF AND SYSTEM FOR CODING AND DECODING SOUND SIGNALS

Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to calculation of the filing fee and examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 3. (amended) A coding method as claimed in claim 1 [or 2], characterized in that  $n$  equals 2.

Claim 8. (amended) A coding system as claimed in claim 6 [or 7], characterized in that  $n$  equals two.

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Respectfully submitted,

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